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### (U) CALIFORNIA

# (U) Redding - Wildfire Kills One, Residents Flee City

(U) At least one person was killed in a rapidly moving wildfire that sent residents fleeing from a northern California city where homes and businesses burned and power was cut on Friday, fire officials said. The Carr Fire, a blaze in Shasta County that has quadrupled in size over the last two days to scorch 28,000 acres of land, killed a bulldozer operator, the state's forestry and fire protection department said. The blaze moved east from the communities of Whiskeytown and Shasta and crossed the Sacramento River to threaten the city of Redding, home to 90,000 people. Fire officials said the mechanical failure of a vehicle sparked the blaze on Monday.

SOURCE: 27 July 2018, Reuters

### (U) NATIONAL

# (U) Texas – Authorities Arrested Two People after Pipe Bomb, Gun, and Drugs Found In Their Car

(U) Houston – Two people have been arrested after a pipe bomb was discovered inside their vehicle in west Houston. Deputies pulled over William Owens, 35, and Morgan Hesser, 36, for a routine traffic stop. After a search inside the car, deputies found crystal meth, marijuana and an illegal gun, along with the pipe bomb. Investigators said the pipe bomb appeared to be packed with gunpowder. Owens was charged with possessing a prohibited weapon and possession of a controlled substance, both felony charges. Hesser was charged with possession of a controlled substance and unlawfully carrying a weapon, also felony charges.

SOURCE: 26 July 2018, ABC 13 News

### (U) INTERNATIONAL

#### (U) Greece - Terror Police Investigate Fires; Authorities Suspect Arson

(U) Mati – Greece said yesterday it suspected arson was behind a devastating forest fire which killed at least 83 people and turned the small town of Mati east of Athens into a wasteland of death and destruction. Reuters reported on Wednesday that police were investigating how the fire started from three different locations at the same time, on a day when a second major fire was raging west of the Greek capital. It has also emerged that anti-terror police are investigating whether one fire, which spread through Mati, was a matter of arson.

SOURCE: 26 July 2018, Sky News, Reuters

# (U) Israel – Knife Attack Kills Israeli in West Bank, Injures Two Others

(U) Jerusalem – A Palestinian assailant entered an Israeli settlement in the occupied West Bank yesterday, stabbed one person to death and wounded two others before he was shot and killed, the Israeli military and a hospital spokeswoman said. The Israeli ambulance service reported one of the men wounded was in serious condition and the other sustained light injuries. A Jerusalem hospital confirmed

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the third victim had died. Israeli media reports said the assailant was shot and killed by a fellow resident of the Adam settlement, which lies between Jerusalem and the West Bank city of Ramallah. SOURCE: 26 July 2018, Reuters

# (U) United Arab Emirates – Authorities Deny Reports of Houthi Drone Attack On Airport

(U) Abu Dhabi – A United Arab Emirates official denied yesterday reports that Yemen's Iran-aligned Houthis had targeted the international airport in the UAE capital Abu Dhabi. "Operations at the airport are business as usual," the official told Reuters. The Houthi-run Yemeni TV station Al Masirah earlier said the group had attacked Abu Dhabi International Airport with a drone.

SOURCE: 26 July 2018, Reuters

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